



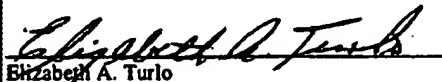
## IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of: Peter J. Renucci, et al.  
Serial No.: 09/840,837  
Filing Date: April 24, 2001  
Title: System and Method for Providing Lifeline Telecommunication Service

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**Second Request for Status**

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If there are any matters that can be cleared up through a telephone conversation, please contact the undersigned attorney for Applicants at (214) 953-6791.

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